

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A crotch-possessing corrective garment comprising:

a tightening portion in an area fitting over a wearer's body, for which the magnitude of a tightening force varies with direction;

wherein when the garment is being worn, the tightening portion runs from above the anal cleft, passing above the left and right buttocks, and downwards along the outer sides of the left and right thighs to the vicinities of the left and right greater trochanters, and the tightening force in the direction in which the tightening portion runs is made to be lower than the tightening force in the direction orthogonal thereto.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): A crotch-possessing corrective garment comprising:

a left/right pair of tightening portions in an area fitting over a wearer's body, for which the magnitude of a tightening force varies with direction;

wherein when the garment is being worn, each of the left/right pair of tightening portions runs from the vicinity of one of the left and right greater trochanter upwards along the outer thigh to above one of the left and right buttock such as to point to above the anal cleft, and the tightening force in the direction in which each of the left/right pair of tightening portions run is made to be lower than the tightening force in the direction orthogonal thereto.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The crotch-possessing corrective garment according to claim 1, further having thigh portions that fit over the wearer's thighs, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the tightening portion further runs from the vicinities of the greater trochanters along the outsides of the thigh portions.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): The crotch-possessing corrective garment according to claim 2, further having thigh portions that fit over the wearer's thighs, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the tightening portions further run from the vicinities of the greater trochanters along the outsides of the thigh portions.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The crotch-possessing corrective garment according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein when the garment is being worn, the tightening portion has a shape that is curved above the buttocks.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): The crotch-possessing corrective garment according to claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein when the garment is being worn, the tightening portions have a shape that is curved above the buttocks.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): The crotch-possessing corrective garment according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein when the garment is being worn, in a left lumbar region and a right lumbar region, the tightening portion is forked upward to the front and the rear, and the rear forks run from the vicinities of the left and right greater trochanters to above the left and right buttocks such as to point to above the anal cleft, and the front forks run from the greater trochanters upward.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): The crotch-possessing corrective garment according to claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein when the garment is being worn, in a left lumbar region and a right lumbar region, the tightening portions are forked upward to the front and the rear, and the rear forks run from the vicinities of the left and right greater trochanters to above the left and right buttocks such as to point to above the anal cleft, and the front forks run from the greater trochanters upward.

the garment characterized in that wherein the tightening portion runs from the vicinities of the left and right greater trochanters upwards along the outer sides of the left and right thighs to above the left and right buttocks such as to point to above the anal cleft when the garment is being worn, and the supplementary tightening portions are provided along the tightening portions in front of the tightening portion;

and the tightening force in the direction in which each of the tightening portion and the supplementary tightening portions runs is made to be lower than the tightening force in the direction orthogonal thereto.

Claim 12 (Previously Presented): The crotch-possessing corrective garment according to claim 9, wherein the supplementary tightening portions are made so as to broaden in a downward direction when the garment is being worn.

Claim 13 (Previously Presented): The crotch-possessing corrective garment according to claim 10, wherein the supplementary tightening portions are made so as to broaden in a downward direction when the garment is being worn.

Claim 14 (Previously Presented): The crotch-possessing corrective garment according to claim 11, wherein the supplementary tightening portions are made so as to broaden in a downward direction when the garment is being worn.

Claim 15 (Previously Presented): The crotch-possessing corrective garment according to claim 1, further comprising a body front tightening portion that is constituted from a material having a tightening force, and runs upward to the left and right from above the crotch in the front center when the garment is being worn.

Claim 16 (Previously Presented): The crotch-possessing corrective garment according to claim 2, further comprising a body front tightening portion that is constituted from a material having a tightening force, and runs upward to the left and right from above the crotch in the front center when the garment is being worn.

Claim 17 (Previously Presented): The crotch-possessing corrective garment according to claim 11, further comprising a body front tightening portion that is

constituted from a material having a tightening force, and runs upward to the left and right from above the crotch in the front center when the garment is being worn.

Claim 18 (Currently Amended): The crotch-possessing corrective garment according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the tightening portion is belt-shaped.

Claim 19 (Currently Amended): The crotch-possessing corrective garment according to claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the tightening portions are belt-shaped.

Claim 20 (Currently Amended): The crotch-possessing corrective garment according to claim 11, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the tightening portion is belt-shaped.

Claim 21 (Currently Amended): The crotch-possessing corrective garment according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the tightening portion is formed through power change in a single piece of warp-knitted fabric.

Claim 22 (Currently Amended): The crotch-possessing corrective garment according to claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the tightening portions are formed through power change in a single piece of warp-knitted fabric.

Claim 23 (Currently Amended): The crotch-possessing corrective garment according to claim 11, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the tightening portion is formed through power change in a single piece of warp-knitted fabric.

Claim 26 (Previously Presented): The crotch-possessing corrective garment according to claim 11, characterized by being any of a girdle, spats, sports tights, a leotard, a body suit, or men's pants, tights or spats.